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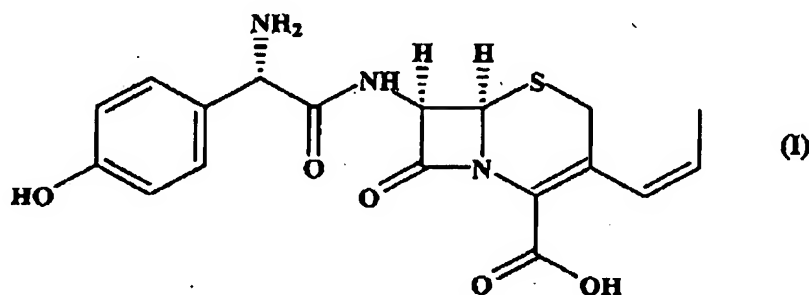
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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A process for preparation of Cefprozil of formula (I)



in the form of a monohydrate, the process comprising:

condensing a mixed acid anhydride of  $\alpha$ -amino-p-hydroxy phenylacetic acid of formula (III)

wherein  $R^1$  is an alkyl or an aryl group, and  $R^2$  is methyl or ethyl,

with a protected 7-amino-3-(propen-1-yl)-3-cephem-4-carboxylic acid of formula (VII)

